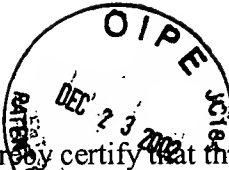



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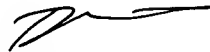
Sir:

In response to the written Restriction Requirement dated November 22, 2002 in the above-identified patent application, Applicant hereby elects, for purposes of examination in the subject application, those embodiments pertaining to Figures 2-7 as the species. Applicant also hereby elects as the species of the guest message display element, those embodiments having a card insert. This election is made without traverse.

Applicant acknowledges the Examiner's indication that upon allowance of a generic claim, Applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species that depend from an allowed generic claim. Applicant acknowledges the Examiner's indication that pending claims 1, 9, 10, 34, and 39 are generic.

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